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### **PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT ANNOUNCES CHANGES TO** **RULES AND UNIFORM PRACTICES**

The Probate and Family Court announces changes to the General Rules of the Probate Court and Supplemental Rules of the Probate Court. In addition, the Probate and Family Court announces changes to the Uniform Practices of Probate Courts of Massachusetts. The General Rules of the Probate Court and Supplemental Rules of the Probate Court have been consolidated into the Supplemental Rules of the Probate and Family Court.

These proposed changes were recommended by the Probate and Family Court Bench/Bar Committee on Rules and the Rules Committee of the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code Working Group, circulated for comment, approved by Chief Justice Paula M. Carey, and approved and promulgated by the Supreme Judicial Court and Chief Justice for Administration and Management Robert Mulligan. The changes are effective January 2, 2012.

The new rules and uniform practices can be found at:

<http://www.mass.gov/courts/courtsandjudges/courts/probateandfamilycourt/mupchub.html>